Mr. SPEAKER.—The hon'ble Member must know that when a paper is laid on the table, it is open to inspection by any member. There are known methods of raising a debate.

Sri K. H. PATIL.—At this stage, we can say that we oppose it.

Mr. SPEAKER.—It is not necessary.

FIRST REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS

(*Presentation*)

Sri D. MANJUNATH (Deputy Speaker),—Sir, I beg to present the First Report of the Committee on Petitions.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Harihar).—Sir, I invite the attention of the Hon'ble Minister to the last paragraph, *i.e.*, he recommendation of the Committee:—

> "Since the matter was stated to be before the Hon'ble High Court, the Committee felt that it has no views to offer on the merits of the Petition presented to the House and referred to the Committee. Further the Committee felt that Government may kindly examine the legal aspects and move the Hon'ble High Court to get the stay order vacated early and constitute the Market Committee as early as possible in view of the difficulties experienced by the agriculturists of the area and in the interest of the ryots."

Ths agriculturists are very much hurt; they are feeling difficulties. The Chairman of the defunct Committee has been there for the last 5 months and it is not known how long he will continue. So, Sir, kindly see that steps are taken as reported by the House and they may be pleased to make a report to this House as early as possible as to the action taken in this behalf.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Two points require to be clarified. There is no finding of the Committee; it does not hold an enquiry into it. All that it does is to present a reporton the petition.

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—As a sovereign body this House has given a direction and I am requesting the Government to see that action is taken as early as possible.